



### Otha "Bud" Proctor

A true success story, Bud Proctor exemplifies the positive results of client collaboration with various agencies, a foundation, and medical and school personnel. Bud came to the Vocational Rehabilitation program in 2001, wanting to complete his education at the university. Because of his numerous medical conditions, a facilitative rehabilitation counselor helped Bud to obtain assistive technology to maintain his school progress. He completed his degree and was able to re-enter the work force. Bud has since left this employment and obtained very lucrative employment as a practitioner consultant with excellent benefits. Bud has been asked by the corporate office to train employees to emulate his success. Not only does Bud work at this career, but he and his son have started a side business as well. He states that either the forces of Mother Nature or the inadequacies of life happen, and it is nice to know there is an organization like the Division of Rehabilitation Services available to help someone who has a dream to fulfill.



### Andrea Hatch

A debilitating childhood disease left Andrea with some physical challenges. However, she came to the Vocational Rehabilitation program ready to complete her college education and become a special education teacher. Andrea received assistance with tuition, books, and tutoring, which enabled her to become employed as a teacher serving two elementary schools. She felt that her life has completely changed. She is a contributor to society, has enabled children with disabilities to gain a good education, and can now provide more for her family. Because of the Vocational Rehabilitation program's help, Andrea has gained self-confidence and is grateful there is such an agency available.



### Jarom Hlebasko

Seven years ago Jarom and his buddies were enjoying the snow in southern Utah when the last jump into a snowbank injured his neck. The injury resulted in quadriplegia, but nothing stops Jarom from reaching his goals. He completed his degree at the university in a very challenging field; in the ten years this highly technical information system program has been offered, only ten to fifteen individuals have graduated. Jarom is successfully employed with an international company. Through the help of Vocational Rehabilitation in providing tuition, books, a computer and printer, a Quickie chair with alternating cushions, a modified van lift, and other assistive technology, this employment was made possible. Jarom was married three years ago, has been able to travel, and looks forward to his future. He says he wants to succeed and especially to live a better life and provide for his wife and future family. Jarom is grateful there are funds available to help people with disabilities and give them the opportunity to see their future in a positive light.



### Kristin O'Neill

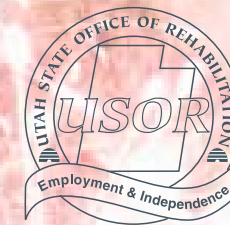
In order to maintain her employment as a business enterprise manager, Kristin came back to the Vocational Rehabilitation program as she was losing all vision. She was able to have an experimental surgery free of charge, but needed help with the cost of the artificial iris. The surgery was completed, and she is now legally blind in one eye and has 20/90 vision in the other eye, with glasses. Her eyesight has improved and should improve more with healing. As the mother of two children, Kristin states that without the Vocational Rehabilitation program and the services this Division provides, she would be close to blind and would not have the opportunities she has now to support her family.

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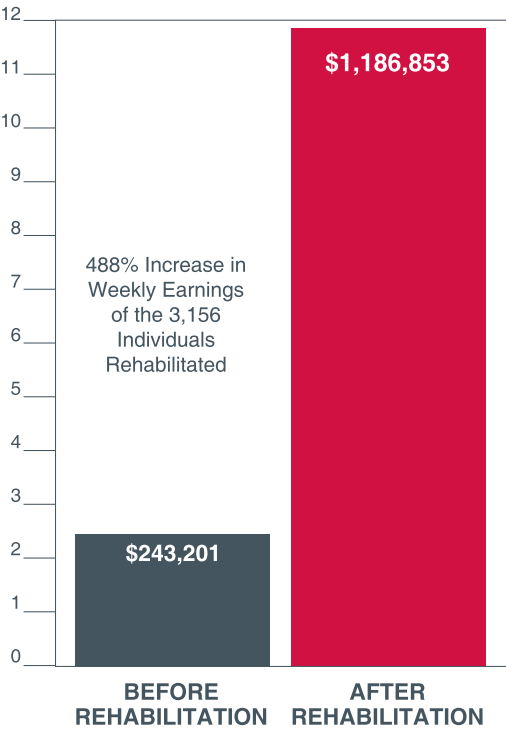


# VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM SERVICES

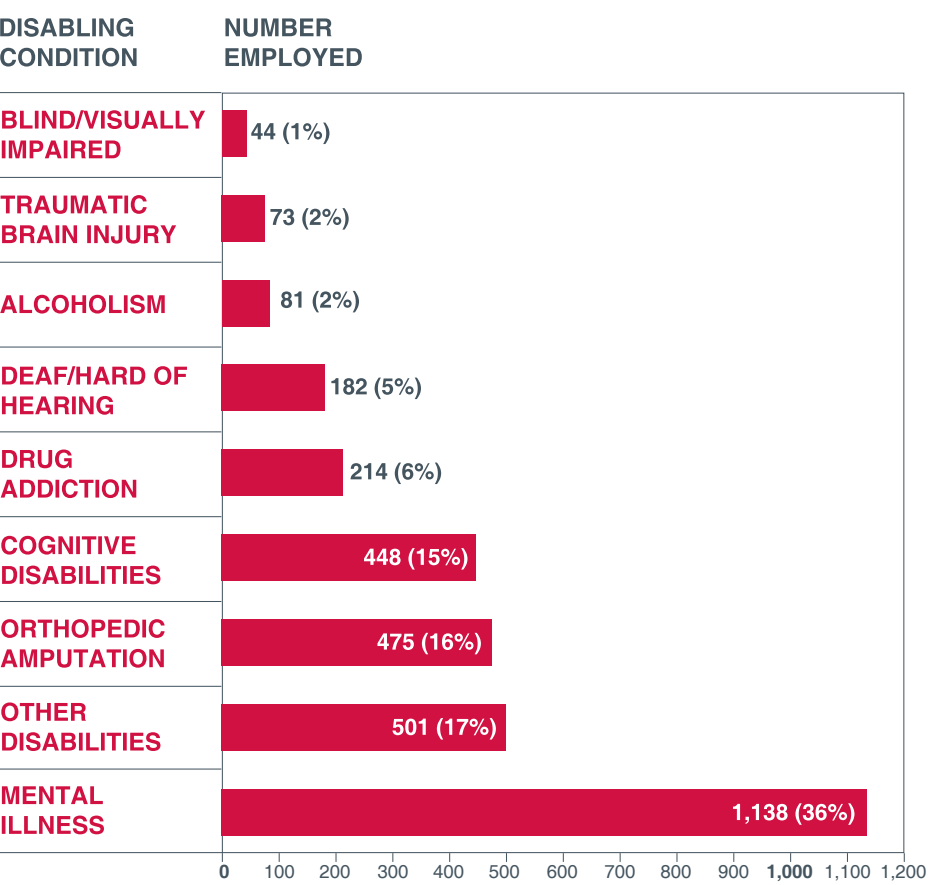
Eligible individuals, in partnership with their Vocational Rehabilitation counselor, assess their rehabilitation needs, establish an employment goal, and develop a plan to reach that goal. The plan includes the following information: services needed to reach the goal, who will provide the services, a time line, and evaluation criteria to measure progress toward the goal.

Services are available according to needs, abilities, and choices. These services may include medical restoration and treatment, counseling and guidance, assistive technology, job placement, and follow-up, as well as other services needed to assist consumers to attain their employment goals.

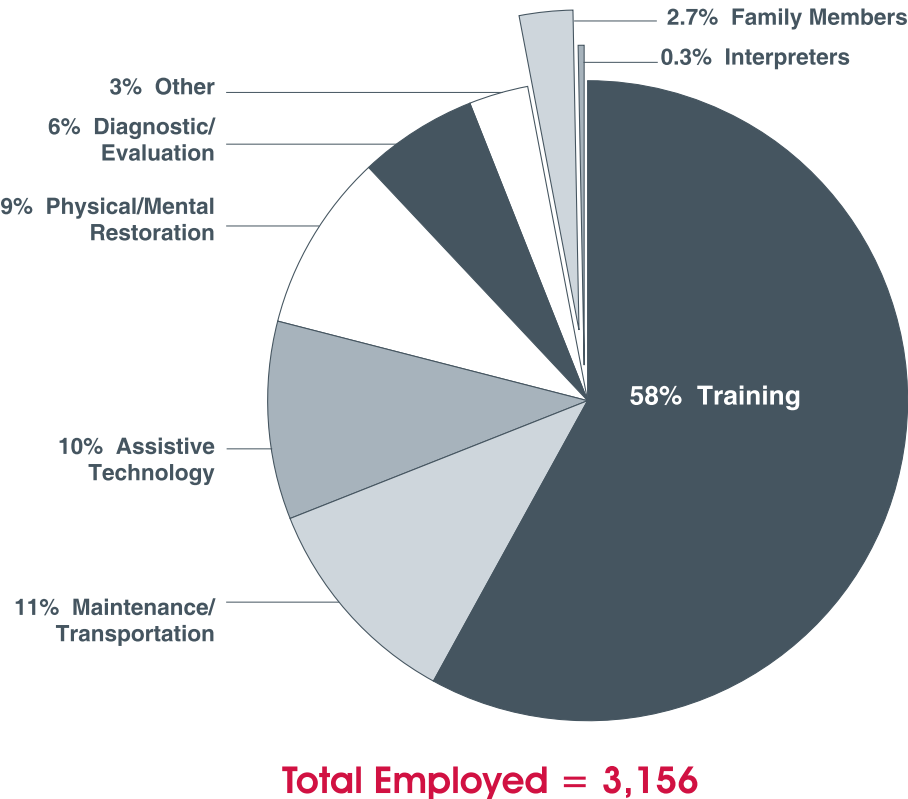
# ECONOMIC IMPACT



# MAJOR DISABLING CONDITIONS



# EXPENDITURES



# UTAH'S VR PROGRAM Is Productive and Cost Effective

	UTAH	Arizona	Colorado	Idaho	Montana	Nevada	New Mexico	Oregon	South Dakota	Wyoming
Number of Clients Placed in Jobs	3,156	2,087	2,509	2,120	912	1,157	1,833	2,871	860	696
Average Number Placed in Jobs per Counselor	27	9	22	30	23	25	29	23	23	24
Cost per Client Rehabilitated	\$12,211	\$34,343	\$17,610	\$9,425	\$15,531	\$11,647	\$15,847	\$15,539	\$14,063	\$15,554
Average Caseload Size	176	94	172	180	183	175	171	130	141	138

# HIGHLIGHTS

- The following information demonstrates the individual and program success Vocational Rehabilitation achieved during 2007:

  - 3,156 individuals with disabilities were successfully employed.
  - 20,584 individuals were provided with vocational rehabilitation services.
  - 98 percent of those employed were severely disabled.
- 236 public assistance recipients were successfully employed.
  - 769 Social Security Disability Insurance recipients were successfully employed.
  - 96 individuals were successfully employed through supported employment services.
- \$14,194,762 in estimated annual taxes were paid by 3,156 employed individuals after vocational rehabilitation services were provided.

# OCCUPATIONS of the 3,156 Individuals Rehabilitated

